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CONTEST DENIED

Legislature Regarded Contest Spurious. 103 Against 71 For Probe. Gardner Governor

The petition filed by Judge Henry Lamm for the purpose of contesting the election of Gov. Fredrick D. Gardner was summarily dealt with by a party vote in the Missouri General Assembly Tuesday.

The Democrats in the Assembly believed from what had reached them that the petition was filed for no other purpose than to annoy and delay important legislation, that it was not conceived in good faith and the action was insincere.

There appeared to be no question about fraud having been committed on both sides at the November election and from the unusual registration of negroes in St. Louis and Kansas City and principally because Jep Howe, the most notorious election crook and patronage dispenser in the state was most active in trying to get a contest on, it was prima facie that had a contest been ordered by the assembly the Republicans would have suffered more than Democrats.

It required several weeks to gain the consent of Judge Lamm to have anything whatever to do with such a proceeding, but he finally yielded. Judge Lamm was persuaded to enter into such a contest by the argument that it would deter such methods as were charged at future elections, positively refusing to consider lending his name to the proceeding purely for the prospect of benefiting himself by a favorable result.

The first thing Jep Howe does after an election in St. Louis is to fortify his gang against charges of fraud in the vote, if Republicans win, and if they do not win, to raise a big fraud yell and assemble those who had reason to expect a place at the pie coultar at his dictation.

Judge Lamm made his campaign principally by assaults on the Gardner Land Bank Bill and did the rural element more harm by so materially assisting in the defeat of the amendment than could have been worked in any other way, and tho he effected the defeat of the amendment, he failed to head off the Democratic candidate who stood for it.

The effort to have a committee named to investigate alleged fraud in the prohibition vote was also lost, and property. The most of the time of the last legislature was taken up by just such monkey business and it is apparent that the present legislature, or rather the President of the senate and speaker of the house together with the floor leaders for the Democrats, do not intend time shall be wasted in any such manner.

Harmon-Brown

Leslie Harmon and Miss Della Brown of Hamden were married at noon Wednesday by Rev. M. C. Davis at the M. E. parsonage. They left on No. 3 for Lathrop, Mo. for a visit.

Ethel Hayes Dead

One of the best known eccentric characters of the Asbury Chapel neighborhood, Etheldred Hayes, died at a cabin near Asbury Wednesday morning.

He was living with his son Earl and had been sick for some time. His burial was set for one o'clock yesterday at Asbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Hamden were here Wednesday.

Mrs. Anna Moser

Died in Brunswick January 13 of uremic poisoning aged 79 years July 26, 1916.

Mrs. Moser and husband Conrad Moser recently moved from a farm northwest of Brunswick to reside with their son Herman at Brunswick. She was feeling better than usual until Thursday night before her death. That evening she was thrown into an acute state of coma from which she never recovered. She was a devout Catholic and was interred Monday in the Catholic cemetery at Brunswick, Father Richardson administering the last rites of the church and officiating at the obsequies.

Surviving Mrs. Moser is her husband, two sons, Herman and John and three daughters, Mrs. Mat Reichart, Mrs. Otto Evertz and Mrs. Harry Sigg, nineteen grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Mrs. Troy Longwell and Mrs. Rube Weslake of this city are granddaughters of Mrs. Moser.

Entertained at "42"

Mrs. Tom Cocke entertained eight friends at "42" Monday evening in honor of Mrs. Winnie Cocke of San Benito, Tex. Refreshments consisting of sandwiches, salad, celery, pineapple ice and chocolate and wafers were served.

Baptist Church

We had a good day last Sunday. Good Sunday school. We hope for a greater interest next Sunday. Pastor preaches morning and evening each Sunday. Help us to do a good work. Everybody invited to each service. Don't forget to phone 203 when we can help you in any way. We want everybody to feel at home at our services. Help us in all the services. Make our service your service. Feel at home with us. Get into the spirit, get into the choir, get into the habit of feeling that we are always glad to have you present. If your children do not attend Sunday school we would be glad to have them in ours. Phone 203 R. O. Harris, Pastor.

Methodist Church

The usual services will be held Sunday. The subject for the morning worship will be "The Increase of the church;" for the evening service, "Working with God." A cordial invitation is extended to all, to be present and unite with us in worship.

Epworth League meets at 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Seeing Good in Others."

Sunday school will be held at 9:45 a. m.

Christian Church

Bible School at 9:45 A. M. Divine worship at 11 o'clock when the pastor will speak on "The Christian Ministry." After this service there will be a business meeting of the church members. It is important that all members be present.

Evening service at 7:30. You are cordially invited to worship with us.

Pee Dee Installation

There will be an installation of officers in the Pee Dee Lodge I. O. O. F. and the Rebekahs Saturday night.

Several from this city and neighborhood expect to attend and partake of the hospitality of the ever hospitable Rebekahs.

Alvin Monnig of Abolt was in town Tuesday.

H. C. Brand of Dalton was in town Monday.

Metropolitan papers are culling out every name on their lists except those who pay and pay the increased subscription rate. Country as well as all other papers are cut off of exchange lists. Print paper price has caused innumerable failures, and much unpaid subscription will aid in swamping thousands of others.

Won't You Look At Your Label and if you are behind, send us the amount and save us the stamp necessary for a Statement direct to you? We have trimmed our list of all of whom we had a doubt, but doubts will be raised about the intentions of others if we do not hear from them soon, then further pruning and more expense for collecting.

Entertained

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Moritz royally entertained a few friends Wednesday evening at their home five miles north of town. The evening was spent in playing various games. A few selections of instrumental music was rendered. Those present were: Luther Owens and wife and two daughters, Misses Willie Helen and Viola Chrane, Flossie Jones, Edith Price and Jim Hershey, Rufus Leonard and Geo. Hooper. At a late hour the guests were invited into the beautifully decorated dining room where refreshments were served. Color scheme was pink and white. All departed thanking Mr. and Mrs. Moritz for such a royal treat.

Marriage Licenses

Jos. R. Rixeman to Mary Hinkler.
Lloyd Oliver to Georgia Potter.
Paul H. Lutz to Elvira Kotha.
Sam W. Yates to Goldie F. Houston.
W. M. Simmons to Dixie Faudree.
Wm. H. Venable to Eva McDowell.
Leslie Harmon to Della Brown.

Admiral Dewey Dead

The hero of Manila Bay died at his home in Washington Tuesday night in his 89th year.

By seniority he was the ranking naval officer in the world. President Wilson paid a fine tribute to the old hero and news of his death was flashed by wireless to all vessels of the United States everywhere and flags ordered to half mast. He will be buried at Arlington, overlooking the Potomac river, Saturday.

Miss Norinne Bartz went to Brunswick Tuesday for several days visit to relatives.

The Farmers State Bank of Chickasha, Okla., of which M. F. Courtney is president, has deposits of \$373,938.11 and cash with which to meet demands, \$226,790.96, or rather had according to its report of condition Dec. 27. It has always been characteristic of Millard to hold on to a goodly part of all the cash he takes in; a safe plan, if that surplus is not needed by the business community. Nearly \$14000 in surplus and undivided profits also looks healthy.

Golden Wedding Was Celebrated

Mr. and Mrs. Murry Bennet were married January 17 1867 and yesterday they celebrated the 50th anniversary of that happy and prosperous event.

All of their children were present and the families of their children and other relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Bennet, in addition to about 75 of their life long friends, Milt, Jarve, John, Bud, and Charlie and Mrs. Rufe Emerson, daughter and their families in part, were all happy that their parents were still with them and healthy. Mrs. Bennet's brother Alva, who lives in California sent a lot of fine California fruit for the occasion.

Mrs. Bennet is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Oldham, deceased, who were residents of this city for years. Her brothers Jarve, Alva, Tom and Milt and her sister Mrs. John Coeman survive, her brother John has been dead for several years.

Such a gathering of relatives and old friends has seldom been seen in the Adams Chapal neighborhood, nor a greater feast for a celebration.

Presents, valuable and beautiful were literally showered on the popular old couple, and expressions of love and devotion were more profuse.

"Uncle Murry" as he is called by his friends, is of the type of men who have made Missouri what she is and Mrs. Bennet the home making woman whose training developed energetic, self-reliant and successful children. The heartiest congratulations by the courier is extended to its highly esteemed old friends and its sincere wishes expressed for many more years of health and other enjoyments of life on their splendid farm.

Roads are fine but a nail, piece of glass, or anything which is sticking out of the frozen track, will puncture as sure as struck.

Judge A. S. Taylor visited the afflicted with gripe meaning ye editor, and conceived that he was having a fine time, and not to permit such selfishness as was apparent, he appropriated a sufficient number of the bugs to down him for several days last week and the first of this week. Verily prohibition, if it was in force in this state and did what is claimed for it, would have been our finish.

Salisbury Scribbles

W. D. Cox, a farmer, aged 50 years, died at his home, 5 miles north of here, Thursday, Jan. 11, 1917, after a brief illness of pneumonia, with complications, leaving a divorced wife and several children. Remains were buried in Salisbury City Cemetery Friday. His father and brother survive.

Elmer Powell has returned from Denver and purchased a farm near Hamden where he will reside.

Jap Case has traded his Livery stable and a small dwelling in the s. w. part of town, to A. P. Falk for a farm joining the one purchased from Floyd Drew last year.

We are glad to learn that our old friend Og Lee, who has been in poor health is improving.

Rev. Bobb, the Evangelist, has been holding morning prayer meetings in the stores for several days. We are glad to see this religious awakening.

Ed N. Dobson and Eda Smith left for South, Mo., Saturday with a view to buying land.

Geo. W. Harkelroth purchased the Fuller property in Peters addition from Mrs. Mary Straub for \$550.

The Lota Fezell property on east second street was sold, under deed of trust, Monday to Eugene Stamper for \$1000.

O. P. Ray was over Monday on business.

There was a large crowd at the W. H. Smith sale Tuesday. Mr. Smith and family will move to Iowa. They are good people and we regret to see them go.

The new railroad will be located about three miles south of this City, but the exact line has not been located.

The protracted meeting at the Presbyterian Church closed here Tuesday night, with one conversion and no addition.

A protracted meeting will begin at the Methodist Church Wednesday to run as long as the interest will warrant, and will be followed by one at the Christian Church.

Mrs. John Street returned Tuesday from a two weeks visit to her daughter in St. Louis.

Dr. F. Wilhite, a Salisbury boy, who made good, was here Wednesday and told us he has sold his dental business at Excelsior Springs and will seek another location. We hope he went too far.

Word comes of the death of Ethel Hayes at his home near Shannondale on Tuesday. No particulars.

Mrs. Hermann Friesz was taken to Moberly Sunday to be operated on for appendicitis.

A new girl at the home of Victor Legendre makes four in the family now.

Reub Hunker has gone to Los Vegas, N. M. on business and will soon move to that country.

Miss Lucy Morse has resumed her school duties after a siege of mumps.

Eli Shupe fell and broke his arm while roller skating on the side walk.

John Cloyd has returned to Calif.

Jesse Richardson is in Jefferson City taking in the sights.

Frank Bean and Josh Hunker are attending the Implement Dealers Convention at Kansas City.

Mrs. Jack Edwards was in Salisbury Tuesday.

THE EUROPEAN WAR

Submarines Decimating Ally Navy—Germans Victorious in East—West Inactive

The number of ships sunk in the past week by German submarines is unknown but one submarine is reported from Rio De Janeiro as having captured and converted six and sunk eight in Atlantic.

Russians and Roumanians are unable to stop the advance of Von Mackensen. Nothing of note doing in France. The allies claim to be preparing for a final victorious drive in the spring.

The allies have refused to consider terms of peace, claiming that until the Turk is driven from Europe and Germany subjugated no permanent peace can be established.

Mexico

Villa some days getting the worst of it but many more days the best of it.

Westville Waifs

The following officers were installed in the Rebekah Lodge here Saturday night by District Deputy President Judith Thomas and Arthur L. Friesz as Grand Master.

N. G. Anna Swearngan; V. G. Ethel Bell; Sect. Judith Thomas; Treas. Lattil Smith; Warden, Amy Linebaugh; Cond. Mary Maughs; R. S. to N. G. Mada Linebaugh; L. S. to N. G. Malinda Pitts; Chap. Hattie Snider; R. S. to V. G. Pearl Green; L. S. to V. G. Vera Washam; Inside Gaurdian, Myrtle Peeden; Q. G. H. J. Sinder.

Arthur Friesz of Keytesville, Deputy Grand Master and M. S. Walther as Grand Marshall installed the following officers in the I. O. O. F. Lodge here Saturday night:

N. G. Tom Peeden; V. G. Ed Howard; Rec. Sect. Willard Swearngan; Fin. Sect. L. E. Cupp; Treas. Geo. B. Smith; Warden, Ernie Limbaugh; Cond. Cyrus Smith; R. S. to N. G. Chas. Riley; L. S. to N. G. John Upton; Chap. J. O. Bell; R. S. to V. G. Fred Linebaugh; L. S. to V. G. Lawrence Linebaugh; I. G. Callie Lake; O. G. Ike Sportsman.

Mrs. Mary Maughs Installing officer for the Eastern Stars here and Mrs. Zelma Masen as Grand Marshall installed the following officers in the Star Lodge here Saturday afternoon:

Matron, Jesse Howard; Patron, Walter Hains; Associate Matron, Alta Hains; Sect., Birt Mason; Treas. Rebecca Robinson; Cond., Marian Callahan; Associate Cond., Virlea Redding; Marshall, Zelma Mason; Chaplin Rose Morrow; Ada, Opal Green; Ruth, Effie Veal; Ester, Myrl Walter; Martha, Mary Oldham; Electa, Bertha Jackson; Organist, Gertrude Riley; Warden, Sadie Dodge; Sentinel, Robert Robinson.

Following the ceremonies a bountiful supper such as Westville is noted for was spread and everyone had a good time talking and eating. We had visitors from Keytesville, Pee Dee, Marceline, Rothville and two from Canada and visitors are always welcome at Westville.

The snow storm which swept St. Louis last Sunday night resulted in the death of one man. Delayed trains and interurban service and tied up vehicle traffic in the city. The dead man was Lewis Lehman who was found dead as the result of cold weather.